

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT
FROM : Mr. F. J. Baumgardner
SUBJECT: WALTER WINCHELL BROADCAST
March 11, 1951

DATE: March 12, 1951

Routing slip with names: Tolson, Boardman, Belmont, Ladd, Nichols, Rosen, Tracy, Harbo, Mohr, Winterrowd, Tele. Room, Holloman, Gandy.

The Walter Winchell broadcast for Sunday night, March 11, 1951, was monitored by Supervisor R. W. Corman and the following items are of possible interest to the Bureau.

WINCHELL

"New York City - 21 persons have been indicted as members of a narcotics ring. The boss of the ring is one of the leading political underworld powers in New York City."

COMMENT

None - For your information.

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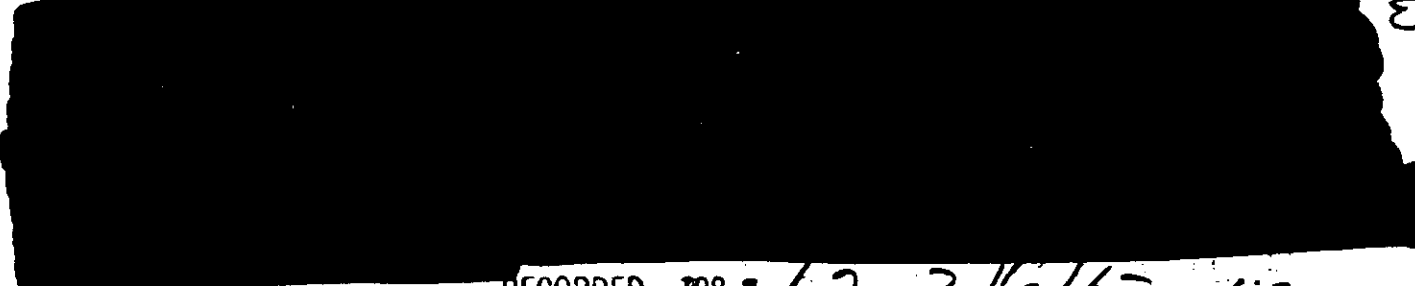
WINCHELL

"New York - A source very close to Columbia University told me this tonight - that a top scientist at Columbia U is in great trouble with the Federal Grand Jury investigating espionage. The explosion will rock 'em any day."

COMMENT

Winchell may be referring to [redacted] who is definitely implicated in the Rosenberg espionage ring, although he is not considered a top scientist. He has for the past 2 months been employed as an instructor at Columbia. Before that he was with the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics.

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"The Civil Defense will shortly debunk germ warfare. You will soon be assured that the best defense against germ warfare is a toothbrush and a bar of soap."

COMMENT

As there are no basis as to reliable value of this suggested

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WINCHELL

"The Communists in California are planning a mass meeting on March 23, 1951, at San Francisco. William Z. Foster, who dodged being tried with the 11 convicted Reds, claiming illness, will be the principal speaker. How do you like that?"

COMMENT

Our San Francisco Office has indicated that Foster has been invited to appear as a speaker at this meeting on March 23, 1951, at San Francisco; however, there has been no definite information reported to the Bureau that Foster has accepted and will attend. The New York Office is very closely following all the pertinent activities of Foster.

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TO : A. H. Belmont

FROM : JAMES F. BLAND

SUBJECT: WALTER WINCHELL BROADCAST
MARCH 4, 1951

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Walter Winchell in his broadcast of March 4, 1951, stated that the New York Police Department has been alerted to limit and screen all visitors to Trans-Atlantic liners such as the Queen Elizabeth and Mary. A bomb not high explosive was found on the "Coronian" and the "Mauretania" before their recent departure from England.

At your direction I called the New York Office and spoke to Special Agent Carl L. Bennett at 10:50 p.m. March 4, 1951, and told him that although this did not appear to be a matter within our jurisdiction it was desired that the New York Police Department be contacted the first thing Monday morning March 5, 1951. That the full facts should be ascertained in order to determine if there is any information of an intelligence interest to the Bureau.

I advised Agent Bennett that the desired information should be furnished to you at the Bureau Monday, March 5, 1951.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT

FROM : MR. C. E. HENRICH

SUBJECT: WALTER WINCHELL BROADCAST
MARCH 4, 1951

DATE: March 5, 1951

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ASAC Whelan called from New York to advise that the New York Office has been in touch with Sgt. Peter Dale, head of the Bomb Squad, NYC Police Department, regarding the reference made by Walter Winchell to the screening of persons going on and off ships by the NYC Police Department to determine if bombs are located on the ships.

Sgt. Peter Dale advised that he had absolutely no information regarding any bombs being on any ships at NYC and that he had received no instructions regarding the screening of persons going on and off ships.

ACTION:

None. For your information.

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TO : Mr. Belmont

FROM : V. P. Keay

SUBJECT: WALTER WINCHELL BROADCAST
FEBRUARY 25, 1951

DATE: February 26, 1951

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The Walter Winchell broadcast for Sunday night, February 25, 1951, was monitored by Supervisor Orrin H. Bartlett and the following items were noted:

WINCHELL:

"Washington, D. C. A ^{WASHINGTON} Communist figure, who supported convicted Communist William Remington, is himself now under investigation for sneaking government papers to a Communist reporter."

COMMENT:

This apparently refers to [redacted] of the "U. S. News and World Report", the David Lawrence publication. [redacted] has now been dismissed from this position. At one time, William Remington introduced [redacted] to Elizabeth Bentley. It is alleged that [redacted] gave Elizabeth Bentley information at the time he was employed by [redacted]

WINCHELL:

"Attention Arizona newspapers. One of the 11 convicted Communist leaders, John Gates, now free on bail, is vacationing right now in Tucson. He is no good."

COMMENT:

John Gates was granted court permission to travel to Arizona. [redacted]

WINCHELL:

"New York City. The 'Daily Worker', the dying Communist rag in New York, will soon try to raise \$200,000. This sort of contribution is not tax deductible. Don't be a sucker."

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WINCHELL:

"New York City. Salvatore Sollazzo, the key man in the New York basketball scandal, was hit for a tax lien for over a million dollars yesterday. The papers reported that. This, however, is exclusive. The Department of Justice will throw a criminal rap at him in a very few days."

COMMENT:

No information is available at the Bureau concerning this criminal charge.

WINCHELL:

"The Senator McCarthy-Owen Lattimore fight is slated for another round. The documents in this case will make the Whittaker Chambers pumpkin look like a pickle."

COMMENT:

This apparently refers to documents of the Institute of Pacific Relations now in possession of the McCarran Committee. These documents, which were stored on the farm of Edward C. Carter, Lee, Massachusetts, were subpoenaed by this committee. Most of these documents are in the form of letters dealing principally with Owen Lattimore, Edward C. Carter, Frederick Vanderbilt Field, and Philip Jessup, in so far as current publicity is concerned.

WINCHELL:

"The Washington Post. I hear that the former assistant to President Truman, Clark Clifford, may inherit the job of U. S. Attorney General. Mr. McGrath will then be elevated to the highest court"

COMMENT:

For your information.

ACTION:

For your information.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Belmont

FROM : V. P. Keay *PK*

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DATE: February 5, 1951

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The text of the Walter Winchell broadcast on Sunday night, February 4, 1951, was monitored by Supervisor O. H. Bartlett and the following items are noted:

WINCHELL: "The William Remington perjury case will go to the jury late Tuesday afternoon."

WINCHELL: "The Soviet newspaper 'Pravda' will soon make news in Paris. Top Russian agents masquerading as 'Pravda' newspapermen will be arrested any moment by the Government of France."

Comment:

The above two items are set out for your information.

WINCHELL: "Miami Beach. The \$30,000 gem burglary in the 7th floor apartment of the Tropical Park owner, N. Hirschfeld, points to three suspects. Two men. One woman. Their initials--F.G., C.W., and J.N. C.W. has served time. He was arrested two weeks ago and is now out on bail. F.G. is a very slick card player, likes to play Canasta. Her male companions are not sissies. At two other hotel robberies, F. G. always happened to be on the premises at the time."

Comment:

This last item was telephonically discussed with Supervisor C. A. Evans. Mr. Evans advised that the Night Supervisor in Division Six would immediately contact the Miami Office by phone to secure additional facts concerning this jewel robbery. These facts will be forthcoming. (See attached memorandum.)

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TO : Mr. A. H. Belmont
 FROM : P. J. Baumgardner
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The Walter Winchell Broadcast for Sunday night, March 4, 1951, was monitored by Supervisor R. W. Gorman and the following items are of possible interest to the Bureau.

Winchell -

"Omaha, Nebraska - The desperate convicts who escaped today are still at large. They snatched a third victim, a farmer, tonight. They have crossed into Kansas. This means death under the Lindbergh Law."

Comment -

The Omaha Office advised by teletype on March 4, 1951, that Dewey Battershaw and Victor Sweet escaped from the Douglas (Nebraska) County Jail at 2:00 P.M. on March 4, 1951, where they were being held for robbery of a gas station. They escaped with the aid of an unknown subject who forced [redacted] to accompany them at gunpoint. Upon leaving the jail they forced [redacted] an Omaha Attorney, to accompany them and he is believed to have been taken as a hostage. They abandoned a 1937 Ford automobile containing the keys to the jail at the farm of [redacted] near Gretna, Nebraska, about 4:30 P.M. on March 4, 1951. The subjects took [redacted] 1950 Chevrolet and also took [redacted] as an additional hostage. No federal prisoners were involved in the escape, and according to the Night Supervisor in the Investigative Division who was in telephonic contact with the Omaha Office at 10:30 P.M. on March 4, 1951, there was no indication the subjects had crossed the state line into Kansas. Agents are maintaining continuous contact with local authorities in order to be immediately apprised of any developments within our jurisdiction.

Winchell -

"Washington. Commander Robert Morris, the New York Attorney is now the general counsel for Senator McCarran's un-American Activities Committee. A very big story when this is confirmed."

Comment -

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Winchell - "New York City. The big Atom Bomb trial starts Tuesday next. The Defendants may take the stand in their own defense. For the first time the Atom Bomb itself will be described publicly."

Comments -

This relates to the Rosenberg case, the trial of which is scheduled to commence March 6, 1951. There is no indication that the defendants will take the stand, but David Greenglass is one of the defendants and has already pleaded guilty. He will be one of the prosecution witnesses. You will recall that AUSA Miles Lane made a special trip to Washington to confer with Atomic Energy officials in order to ascertain what information concerning the bomb could be disclosed at the trial of this case and undoubtedly there will be testimony by Atomic Energy officials about the manufacture of the bomb.

Winchell -

"The FBI is very interested in a Canadian journalist. He allegedly has been engaged in Communist activities in the Middle West and New York City."

Comment -

Winchell may possibly be referring to [REDACTED] also known as [REDACTED]. He has been the subject of investigation by the Bureau [REDACTED] for the past [S] several years. He is presently in Canada where he is known as [REDACTED] and is a prominent figure in the Labor Progressive Party of Canada. [REDACTED] was actively engaged in Communist organizational activities in the 1930's in New York, Ohio, and Missouri.

Winchell -

"New York Mirror. The New York Police Department has been alerted to limit and screen all visitors to transatlantic liners such as the Queen Elizabeth and Mary. A bomb, not high explosive, was found on the Coronian and the Mauritania before their recent departure from England."

Comment -

While this is not a matter within our jurisdiction, we have instructed our New York Office to check with the New York Police Department to ascertain if there is any information of an intelligence nature of interest to the Bureau.

ACTION

None. For your information only.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. E. T. Harbo *RH*

FROM : D. J. Parsons *P*

SUBJECT: WALTER WINCHELL BROADCAST
March 11, 1951

DATE: March 16, 1951

Mr. Tolson	
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Mr. Nichols	
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Mr. Harbo	
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Mr. Tracy	
Mr. Egan	
Mr. Gurnea	
Mr. Hendon	
Mr. Pennington	
Mr. Quinn	
Mr. Nease	
Miss Gandy	

Reference is made to the memorandum of March 12, 1951, from Mr. F. J. Baumgardner to Mr. A. H. Belmont concerning a WALTER WINCHELL broadcast in which he stated that Civil Defense would shortly debunk germ warfare and it would be assured that the best defense against germ warfare is a toothbrush and a bar of soap. Reference is also made to the Director's inquiry as to the reliable value of the suggested antidote.

There is no reason to believe that an ordinary or extraordinary use of a toothbrush with or without dentifrice would offer any appreciable protection against contaminated food or drink and none whatever against contaminated air.

Soap in itself has practically no bactericidal properties. Its use with water does remove germs from the skin in addition to dirt to which germs attach themselves. Other than this, soap offers no protection.

From all of the information presently available, it appears that bacteriological warfare or sabotage would involve the use of germs which can infect by being breathed or swallowed with food or drink, the former probably receiving the greater consideration. Tests already conducted by the Army Chemical Corps have demonstrated that bacteria sprayed from a moving vehicle can result in contamination of the air within the Pentagon with bacteria sprayed from the vehicle. Officers in charge of these tests feel that bacteria could be sprayed from a vehicle moving down a city street in such a manner that the spray of bacteria would not be seen nor would there be any observable sound accompanying the spraying of the bacteria into the air. The Chemical Corps are continuing their experiments. As yet they have not ascertained what portion of the people within a given area might be infected. The Laboratory will continue to follow the progress of these experiments and the results obtained.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
February 19, 1951

From Walter Winchell.

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- Mr. Ladd _____
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February 5th, 1951.

Exclusive for Mr. Walter Winchell.

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1... Pastor Martin Niemöller, who is now lecturing in the United States, is the leader of that group in Germany, which is against collaboration with the Western Powers, for "unity" and "neutrality."

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tells the following true story from Austria:

Immediately after the defeat of the Nazis, the Russians stationed 25,000 soldiers in a small town in Lower-Austria with a population of 60,000. The Mayor ordered the erection of a huge monument of Stalin with the inscription: "In gratefulness to our Liberator..." When the Mayor, who is a member of the People's (Catholic) Party, was asked if he really likes Stalin that much, he replied::: "What would you do with 25,000 Russians in town?"

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. A. H. Belmont *AB*

FROM : Mr. F. J. Baumgardner *FJB*

SUBJECT: WALTER WINCHELL BROADCAST
March 18, 1951

DATE: March 19, 1951

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The Walter Winchell broadcast for Sunday night, March 18, 1951, was monitored by Supervisor R. W. Corman and the following items are of possible interest to the Bureau.

Winchell - "Washington. The FBI will make new headlines with another roundup of Spies."

Comment - Winchell may be referring to the possibility of the arrest of [REDACTED]

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The Department of Justice and the United States Attorney, however, have not as yet authorized the arrest of these two individuals, as they apparently feel the case against them is not too strong.

Winchell - "New York City. The weeks eyebrow raiser, I think, is in a book published by the Yale University Press. The title 'The New Soviet Empire.' The author is David Dallin, one of the pioneer Anti-Communist fighters, an authority on Russia. He is the shocker. The author declares that after Russia is defeated, we should not dismember Russia because, he says, we will need Russia as a potential ally against Germany."

Comment - None. Dallin is a well known Anti-Communist author.

Winchell - "To the Washington Post. The President is fully aware of very serious charges by United States intelligence against the State Department demotā (phonetic). The Senate investigators will have them by tomorrow."

Comment - It is not known what he means by "demotā" or to what he is referring.

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Winchell -

"Los Angeles Examiner. The upcoming probe by the House Un-American Activities Committee will confirm this. That a Hollywood star who denied ever having any connections with the Communists is really a paid-up member."

Comment -

We don't have any information concerning the identity of this individual on the basis of Winchell's general statement.

Winchell -

"Pittsburgh Sun Telegraph. The newest Red Front is called the 'Pittsburgh Three Committee to defend Steve Nelson, Andy Onda, and James Dolsen,' now facing state charges in Pittsburgh."

Comment -

You will recall that Steve Nelson, Andy Onda and James Dolsen were arrested last Fall in Pittsburgh on State Sedition charges on the basis of a complaint brought by Judge Musmano. The headquarters occupied by the three was searched and numerous documents seized which were the basis for their subsequent indictment on State Sedition charges. Their trial in Pittsburgh has started, however it has been delayed by the illness of Judge Musmano. No information has been received that such a committee has been formed, however the Pittsburgh Office has been alerted to the possible existence of this front.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. A. H. Belmont *Car*

FROM : Mr. F. J. Baumgardner *FJB*

SUBJECT: WALTER WINCHELL BROADCAST
March 25, 1951

DATE: March 26, 1951

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The Walter Winchell broadcast for Sunday night, March 25, 1951, was monitored by Supervisor R. W. Corman and the following items are of possible interest to the Bureau.

Winchell -

"New York City. Federal Judge Irving Kaufman is expected to send the big Atom Bomb Spy trial to the jury by Thursday or earlier."

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Comment -

This refers to the Rosenberg case the trial of which, as you know, is in progress in New York and nearing completion.

Winchell -

"The McCarran Committee behind locked doors is readying an Espionage explosion 60 days from now."

Comment -

We do not know specifically what Winchell has in mind unless he is possibly referring to the Institute of Pacific Relations matter, about which you are already familiar. It is known the committee has the various documents in this matter under consideration, and the Bureau is maintaining liaison with the committee.

Winchell -

"The Intelligence Services know that Dictator Peron hasn't any atomic bomb, period!"

Comment -

The press on 3-25-51 carried an announcement by Juan D. Peron, of Argentina, that Argentine Scientists have produced atomic energy by a new method much cheaper than the usual processes. Peron declared the Argentine system "deals with creating artificial suns on the earth."

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The Bureau has no information concerning the truth of Peron's claim, however, we are checking with the Atomic Energy Commission this morning and you will be advised of the results.

Winchell -

"New York Mirror. Alger Hiss, now in prison, and his wife are said to be agreed on a divorce. His 5 year sentence may end in 20 months by good behavior."

Comment -

None.

Action -

None.

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Mr. Walter Winchell
Roney Plaza Hotel
Miami Beach, Florida

AIR MAIL

Dear Walter:

I assume you know that Honorable Alexander
Wiley, United States Senator from Wisconsin incor-
porated in the Congressional Record of March 27
your article of the same date on the gambling
situation.

Senator Wiley's comments in the record prior
to the insertion of the article read as follows:

"Mr. Wiley. Mr. President, I have before
me this morning's column by Mr. Walter Winchell on
the subject of the real source of responsibility for
inter-State gambling. Mr. Winchell, who fought
communism, cancer, and crime long before it became
fashionable to do so, has written another of his
hard-hitting columns - punching straight from the
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His remarks were, I believe, raise blood
pressures, lift eyebrows, but most important,
elevate the sights of a lot of people so that they
can see exactly what one very keen observer feels
is really involved in the multi-billion-dollar
gambling syndicate. Whether or not one agrees
entirely with Mr. Winchell - and there will be
some heated differences - I doubt very much that
there will be many folks who do not respect his
frank approach on this subject of hypocrisy and
gambling. I ask unanimous consent that the
be printed in the Appendix of the Record.

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DIRECTOR

Mr. Walter Winchell

There being no objection, the column was ordered to be printed in the Record, as follows:

I do hope that June is feeling much better now.

With kindest personal regards,

Sincerely,

J. Edgar Hoover

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TO : Mr. A. H. Belmont

DATE: March 30, 1951

FROM : V. P. Keay *VPK*

SUBJECT: WALTER WINCHELL BROADCAST
March 25, 1951

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- Mr. Harbo
- Mr. Belmont
- Mr. Mohr
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- Mess.
- Gandy

Walter Winchell mentioned that Argentine dictator Peron's claim on the development of a new process of atomic energy was completely false, Contact with a number of officials of the Atomic Energy Commission has reflected the following:

There is no basis for the belief that any new important discovery has been made by Argentina in the field of atomic energy.

The announcement by Peron did not mention atomic weapons.

AEC has no information from any of its sources indicating Peron's report is true.

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This is submitted for your information.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. LADD *pl*

FROM : A. ROSEN *Rosen*

SUBJECT: WALTER WINCHELL BROADCAST
APRIL 1, 1951

DATE: April 3, 1951

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Reference is made to Winchell's statement "In the future, crime investigators will concentrate on a professional bondsman of Washington, D. C. Why do nationally known gamblers, they will inquire, all use the same Washington bondsman," and to the comment that the Bureau has no information as to the identity of this bondsman but that in U. S. Attorney Morris Fay's gambling inquiry last year in Washington such a bondsman was referred to as "Mr. X." The Director appended the notation "We should try and get the name."

Supervisor Kurtzman of the Washington Field Office advised that he made contact with both U. S. Attorney Fay and Assistant U. S. Attorney Charles Murray, who handled the crime probe before the Grand Jury in Washington and that the designation of "Mr. X" came about in the following manner.

When the Davis Committee held their hearing in connection with gambling in the District, Meyer Weinstein, who paid the bond premiums, stated that he did not know the source of the money for such bond premiums; that it was just sent to him and he only received it. The newspapers thereupon made an issue of the matter and called the unknown source of the money "Mr. X".

So far as there being one Washington bondsman who is used by all nationally known gamblers, Kurtzman advised that this statement is not in accord with the facts known to the Washington Field Office and to the office of the U. S. Attorney. He stated that for example both Margaret Connor and William P. Ryan, the latter being the former U. S. Deputy Marshal, made the bond for those racketeers brought before the Kefauver Committee. Kurtzman advised that other bondsmen who have been known to make bond for gamblers were Jimmy Conroy and Bill Neil. He stated that there was no one master bondsman who handled the bonds of nationally known gamblers according to the best information the Washington Field Office could secure.

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TO : Mr. Belmont *AB*

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DATE: April 2, 1951

FROM : V. P. Keay

SUBJECT: WALTER WINCHELL BROADCAST
APRIL 1, 1951

The Walter Winchell Broadcast for Sunday, April 1, 1951, was monitored by Special Agent C. W. Bates and the following comments of interest to the Bureau were noted:

WINCHELL:

"Naomi Reardon, star in the 'Country Girl' hit show, will become a bride April 15. His name is Martin Carey, one of John Edgar Hoover's boys."

COMMENT:

Special Agent Martin F. Carey is assigned to the New York Office. He has been ordered to the Training and Inspection Division for general assignment.

WINCHELL:

Kaufman
"Federal Court, New York. The odds tonight are three to one that Judge Irving Hoffman will sentence atom spy Julius Rosenberg to the chair. The betting is even money that his wife and Martin Sobell will die with him for betraying our country."

COMMENT:

None.

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WINCHELL:

"The Washington ticker. Charles E. Wilson, the President's Number One Man, and several labor leaders had a terrific showdown this week. One American Federal of Labor Chief had to be held back from taking a punch at Mr. Wilson. The famous chief got so mad he left to avoid a heart attack. The profanity was furious."

COMMENT:

None.

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WINCHELL:

Tobey
"Intimates of Senator ~~Toby~~ tell their friends that the stolen files contain devastating dope on two other Senators. One Senator is with a big airline and the other with a very big oil company. The oil money involved is \$125,000. Both men are from the east."

COMMENT:

It will be recalled there was recent newspaper publicity regarding the theft of certain files maintained in the office of Senator *Tobey's* son. The Bureau has no further facts on this.

WINCHELL:

"It is the considered opinion of top experts that no court will declare any witness in contempt if said witness was forced to testify before television cameras. If true, all the Kefauver subpoenas will be declared void. There is no such thing as sponsored justice."

COMMENT:

None.

WINCHELL:

"I interviewed Frank Costello for 2½ hours. That exclusive story now appears in all newspapers served by International News for tomorrow morning's edition. Costello said, among other things, that it is impossible to stop gambling and corruption because, he said, if people cannot bet on the races, fights, baseball, or basketball, they would bet on the weather or the next license plate that passed by, odd or even. Costello also said that he hasn't sold Bibles all his life."

COMMENT:

None.

WINCHELL:

"Mexico City Herald. Police in Mexico are now checking on all associates of Irving ~~Sherman~~, a fugitive from a Kefauver subpoena. The police are checking up especially on a hotel manager in Mexico."

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COMMENT:

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WINCHELL:

"In the future, crime investigators will concentrate on a professional bondsman of Washington, D. C. Why do nationally known gamblers, they will inquire, all use the same Washington bondsman. Who arranges that----hmm."

COMMENT:

The Bureau has no information as to the identity of this bondsman. In U. S. Attorney Morris Fay's gambling inquiry last year in Washington, such a bondsman was referred to as Mr. X.

WINCHELL:

We should try & get the name.
"The New Orleans States. Frank Costello left New Orleans by private plane at noon today for New York City arriving at private airport about this time after visiting partner Phil Castel, who is in a very critical condition."

COMMENT:

None.

WINCHELL:

"To the Chicago American. The American Peace Crusade, a great hmm hmm, one of those titles, which gets vigorous back from the Reds over here, plans a big rally for Chicago for June. American Peace--hmm hmm."

COMMENT:

The Bureau has previously received this information and this organization is presently under investigation by the Bureau.

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TO : Mr. Belmont

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DATE: April 16, 1951

FROM : V. P. Keay

SUBJECT: WALTER WINCHELL BROADCAST
APRIL 15, 1951

The Walter Winchell Broadcast for Sunday, April 15, 1951, was monitored by Special Agent C. W. Bates and the following items of interest were noted:

WINCHELL:

"The Department of Justice, if it wanted to, could send every Eastern racketeer to prison. Its files contain enough evidence to convict them."

COMMENT:

None.

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WINCHELL:

"'Quick' Magazine reminds you this week that the Senate Crime Committee revealed this about Sheriff Ferdoan (phonetic), of Truman's home county, Jackson, Missouri. This Sheriff, Ladies and Gentlemen, demands 25¢ a day for each federal prisoner fed in his jail."

COMMENT:

None.

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WINCHELL:

"To the Atlantic Constitution and Miami Herald. Read Page 26 of the 'New Yorker' Magazine in which New York Distric Attorney Hogan is quoted as follows: 'Costello's actions didn't measure up to crime or he would have been before the Grand Jury. The others are not indictable either unless for contempt.'"

COMMENT:

None.

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"Chief Justice Learned Hand, and his cousin, A. N. Hand, both of the Federal Court of Appeals, are planning retirement in the very near future. Two very great Americans."

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COMMENT:

None.

WINCHELL:

"G-Man Hoover, is it true John that the wife of a British scientist closely associated with Atom spy Klaus Fuchs was a member of the Communist Party?"
Yes.

COMMENT:

[REDACTED] was interviewed by the Boston Office on March 27, 1951, in the case entitled [REDACTED] Espionage. [REDACTED] stated he was at [REDACTED] and while there, knew the members of the British Mission. He was told, he thought by an individual named [REDACTED] that [REDACTED] the wife of [REDACTED] was a member of the British Communist Party. [REDACTED] a leading British scientist, was a member of the British mission which included Fuchs. This information regarding [REDACTED] has already been furnished to [REDACTED] the U. S. Atomic Energy Commission.

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WINCHELL:

"Confirming my recent hints about some judges in Greater New York, Police Commissioner Murphy will soon make headlines on the very peculiar way some judges are acting about gamblers."

COMMENT:

None.

WINCHELL:

"Mr. and Mrs. United States. You cannot understand the dismissal of General MacArthur unless you know the five years of secret history behind it. These constitute the most tragic chapter because the truth is that the USA almost up to the Korean War was the heaviest backer of the Chinese Reds. Mr. Acheson insisted that these Reds were a farmers' movement with no connection, he said, with Moscow. The President on memorandum of Acheson proceeded to liquidate Chang Kai Shek.

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"General Marshall insisted that the Chinese Nationalist Government admit the Reds to the Cabinet. That was the way Czechoslovakia went down. When General Wedemeyer wrote data warning that we were giving aid to the Reds, Wedemeyer was relieved of his command and dumped. Wedemeyer's devastating report has not been made public and the Truman Administration doesn't dare do so now. ----The British and French told our President that if we fought with China, Europe would be overrun in 7 weeks. The Allies told Mr. Truman they would not want him to take the risk and if he did, no nation in Europe would fight with us and they would be forced to make peace with Russia. General MacArthur believed otherwise. Why do we take all this from England and France? Because they control the atom bomb bases from Norway to the Suez. We could drop atom bombs on Russia in 4 hours. If we lost these bases, Russia would be 14 hours closer to your home."

COMMENT:

None.

ACTION:

None. For your information.

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TO : Mr. Ladd *[Handwritten initials]*
 FROM : A. H. Belmont *[Handwritten initials]*
 SUBJECT: WALTER WINCHELL BROADCAST
APRIL 22, 1951

DATE: April 23, 1951

The Walter Winchell Broadcast for Sunday, April 22, 1951, was monitored by Special Agent C. W. Bates and the following items of interest to the Bureau were noted:

WINCHELL:

"Look' Magazine has a terrific scoop on the stands next Tuesday--the first picture of the atom bomb--the size, the shape, the weight, etc. heretofore top secret."

COMMENT:

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Mr. C. A. Rolander of the Atomic Energy Commission has been contacted regarding this. Rolander states it may be the same drawings that appeared in "Life" Magazine shortly after testimony by the Government at the Julius Rosenberg trial. However, Rolander stated he would obtain an advance copy of "Look" Magazine and would advise the Bureau as to the security significance of the photographs.

WINCHELL:

"The Washington ticker. The intelligence services now warn that Russia is getting ready to bolt the UN at the very next assembly."

COMMENT:

None.

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WINCHELL:

"His friends tell me that Dean Acheson will resign if Mr. Truman will only let him quit."

COMMENT:

None.

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The American Presidents Line Case is heading for a probe by the U. S. Senate. It seems that a certain edge talks too much."

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COMMENT:

The Bureau is making limited inquiry concerning the suit filed by the Government in San Francisco seeking to regain the stock, alleged by the Government to have been relinquished by Dollar interests but claimed by said interests to have been merely pledged to the Maritime Commission (summary memorandum 4/20/51). The Bureau has no information indicating a Congressional probe. However, this matter has been the subject of spirited legal controversy.

WINCHELL:

"To all of you who are concerned that the President will next remove John Edgar Hoover, the top G-Man, in Truman's open defiance of public opinion. I understand, however, that John Edgar's enemies were ready to suggest this but were told Mr. Truman would slap them down."

COMMENT:

None.

WINCHELL:

"The publisher of one of the very top magazines is fighting very hard to stop the House Committee on Red activities from exposing his famous and beautiful wife."

COMMENT:

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This does not appear to be anyone presently under subpoena to the House Committee on Un-American Activities. However, Winchell may be referring to [REDACTED] wife of [REDACTED]. She is related to [REDACTED].

[REDACTED] It will be recalled that [REDACTED] one of the scientists on the atom bomb project, recently testified before the House Committee and admitted having been a member of the Communist Party.

WINCHELL:

"Washington, attention William Graham. In a terrific fight behind closed doors, Undersecretary of State Humelsine told Dean Acheson he would resign if John K. Emerson is appointed Legal Advisor to Korea. Acheson withdrew his nomination. This is a very big story."

COMMENT:

None

WINCHELL:

"The U. S. Senate. Behind closed doors tomorrow morning Senator Joe McCarthy will open a broadside on registered foreign agents in Washington and the very big fees they receive from foreign governments. When this testimony is released, it will make headlines almost as big, I think, as the dismissal of General MacArthur. Another long ago Winchell complaint."

COMMENT:

The Bureau has no information regarding any disclosures by Senator McCarthy.

WINCHELL:

"The Washington Post. The Russians, I hear, may not have any atom bomb after all. The only thing certain is that there was an atomic explosion in Russian territory. Everything else is nothing more than guesswork. Even our top command is not sure."

COMMENT:

You will recall that at the time of the release in the newspapers regarding the Russian atomic explosion, the Atomic Energy Commission advised that they could not say that the Russians had an atomic bomb, but were only certain that they had been able to make an atomic explosion, which would not necessarily mean that they could develop a weapon.

ACTION:

You will be advised of the results of inquiry by the Atomic Energy Commission in connection with the first item set out above.

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TO : Mr. D. M. Ladd

FROM : A. H. Belmont

SUBJECT: ~~LOOK~~ "LOOK" MAGAZINE ARTICLE
ON ATOMIC BOMB,
WALTER WINCHELL BROADCAST
APRIL 22, 1951

DATE: April 25, 1951

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Mr. Boardman _____
Mr. Nichols _____
Mr. Belmont _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Harbo _____
Mr. Rosen _____
Mr. Tracy _____
Mr. Egan _____
Mr. Gurnea _____
Mr. Hendon _____
Mr. Pennington _____
Mr. Quinn Tamm _____
Mr. Nease _____
Miss Gandy _____

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PURPOSE

To advise you of the results of a check with the Atomic Energy Commission regarding the "Look" article.

BACKGROUND

Reference is made to my memorandum to you of April 23, 1951, entitled Walter Winchell Broadcast, April 22, 1951. Winchell made the following comment:

"'Look' Magazine has a terrific scoop on the stands next Tuesday--the first picture of the atom bomb--the size, the shape, the weight, etc. heretofore top secret."

Mr. C. A. Rolander of the Atomic Energy Commission was contacted on April 22, 1951, regarding this statement. He stated he would check into the matter and would advise the Bureau further.

RESULTS OF AEC INQUIRY

Mr. Rolander advised on April 23, 1951, that several weeks ago the Commission received information that an article would appear in "Look" Magazine regarding the atomic bomb. Chairman Dean of the Commission immediately contacted officials of the Air Force and was advised by the Air Force that Jim Berryman, the author of the article, had been given an unclassified briefing by Air Force officials. The Air Force assured Dean that Berryman had been given no access to any restricted data. The Air Force further advised Dean that they had reviewed the article and found nothing objectionable. Dean asked the Air Force for a copy of the article, but was advised that they did not have one but would attempt to obtain one for him. This article has not been furnished to Dean.

As a result of the Bureau's inquiry, Rolander has furnished the following statement by the Atomic Energy Commission's Office of Classification:

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"The references to size, weight, and shape of the atomic bomb and to the location and approximate size and shape

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of the firing unit of the bomb would be considered restricted data if made by an individual who, at any time, may have had access to AEC restricted data. However, in view of positive assurance from the Air Force that the author of this article has not had access to any restricted data, these references may be considered to be mere speculation and of no security significance."

After the release of this story in the "Washington Star" for April 23, 1951, the Atomic Energy Commission made the following press release:

"The writer of this article did not see any actual atomic weapon. The Air Force has assured the Atomic Energy Commission that the writer of the article did not see a representation of an atomic weapon".

Rolander advised that the Commission was disturbed about the Air Force action in this matter, and intended to discuss it with them further.

Agent Bates of the Liaison Section pointed out to Captain Waters, Director of Security for AEC, and Rolander that it did not seem logical for the Bureau to be making investigations of laborers, bulldozer operators, etc. when information regarding size, weight, and shape of the atomic bomb is published in the newspapers. It was pointed out that the vast majority of construction workers would certainly not see anything which would be as classified as the information in the "Look" and "Star" article. Both Captain Waters and Rolander agreed that this was true. Captain Waters pointed out that he was contacting the classification people in an effort to declassify information which would do away with the necessity of investigating certain construction personnel in particular locations.

Mr. Rolander pointed out that as a result of the statement made by the classification office, there would appear to be no basis for an investigation by the Bureau at this time.

ACTION

This is submitted for your information.

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TO : Mr. Belmont *RB*

FROM : V. P. Keay *JK*

SUBJECT: WALTER WINCHELL BROADCAST
APRIL 8, 1951

DATE: April 9, 1951

Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. E. A. Tamm	
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Glavin	
Mr. Ladd	
Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tracy	
Mr. Harbo	
Mr. Belmont	
Mr. Mohr	
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Mr. Nease	
Miss Gandy	

The Walter Winchell Broadcast for Sunday, April 8, 1951, was monitored by Special Agent C. W. Bates and the following items of interest were noted:

WINCHELL:

"Defense Chief George Marshall's friends have fixed his date for retirement--June 20."

COMMENT:

None.

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WINCHELL:

"It is 5 to 1 tonight that U. S. Circuit Court will affirm the verdict of death for the atomic spies--10 to 1 that the high court will not review. In short, the Rosenbergs will die in the chair."

COMMENT:

None.

WINCHELL:

"Hollywood movie star Sterling Hayden will testify before the committee probing Communism in Washington on Tuesday next. He will say that he was a former OSS officer in Red territory. His story will make national headlines. If, however, Sterling Hayden got behind Commy lines during the war, he is lucky to be alive according to U. S. intelligence experts."

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[REDACTED] A summary memorandum has been prepared giving this matter in detail.

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WINCHELL:

"In a magazine article this week, Senator Kefauver disclosed that a big businessman tried to bribe him by offering \$125,000 to the Democratic National Committee to lay off, I presume, certain people. The Senator then explained in his article that he is not naming this would-be briber because says the Senator quote So far as the law is concerned there is nothing against him end quote. Ladies and Gentlemen, this is to respectfully suggest that Senator Kefauver again read the U. S. Criminal Code and Federal Procedure, Title 18, under Section 200, which clearly states that attempting to bribe a member of Congress is a crime punishable by three years in prison. Senator, why don't you beat Walter Winchell to his next scoop and report it to the nearest District Attorney?"

COMMENT:

The newspaper clippings regarding the above matter have been referred to the Criminal Division of the Department. The Bureau has no further information and no investigation is being conducted in the absence of a request from the Department.

WINCHELL:

"The Washington Post. Another big peace outfit, backed by strong Communist influence, will meet in Washington May 2 and 3. The arrangements for the so-called peace demonstration are being made by the Reverend Willard Uphaus. He went to Moscow last fall after attending the Commy-dominated peace rally in Poland."

COMMENT:

Information has been received from the Washington Field Office that this meeting is sponsored by the Committee for Peaceful Alternatives, which is a Communist-influenced organization. This information has just recently been disseminated in the Daily Intelligence Letter.

WINCHELL:

"San Francisco Call Bulletin. Bernadotte^y Doyle, Communist Party organizer in San Diego and San Francisco, is expected to apply for unemployment insurance. Please alert the California unemployment authorities. Not on my taxes anyway."

COMMENT:

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Bernadotte Doyle is a Communist Party leader on the west coast and resides in San Diego. She has been active in the Progressive Party movement on the coast. [REDACTED]

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Ladd
 FROM : A. H. Belmont
 SUBJECT: WALTER WINCHELL BROADCAST
 April 29, 1951

DATE: April 30, 1951

The Walter Winchell Broadcast for Sunday, April 29, 1951, was monitored by Special Agent C. W. Bates and the following items of interest were noted:

WINCHELL:

"All big shots under subpoena by the U. S. Senate Crime Committee have been located except Irving Sherman. Come on in. Don't be a chump. They know about Canada."

COMMENT:

As you know, the Bureau has discontinued active investigation to locate Sherman. However, we are maintaining informant coverage.

WINCHELL:

"I want you, the people, to show your gratitude to a man who for a very long time has bravely and quietly served us all. He is an unsung hero, a former Russian now in America. His undercover work for our Government right in among the very top Reds over here landed most of them behind bars. How can you repay him? Just buy his new exciting book. . . . Page 81 reveals, 'Winchell is their deadliest enemy. They decided to punish Winchell by the slander treatment. Winchell was to be blackened and framed by letters to his sponsors and editors to get him off the air. But Winchell had powerful ammunition against the Commies because his information, says the author, 'was accurate to the very last detail.' Thank you, Jacob, Spolansky, the author of 'Communist Trail in America'."

COMMENT:

Spolansky, Russian-born, is a former Bureau Agent (1923). His book has been reviewed by the Internal Security Section and a memorandum has previously been submitted concerning it.

WINCHELL:

"A delegation from the United Electrical Workers will visit Russia in June. This allegedly American bunch was kicked out of the CIO for Communist domination."

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COMMENT:

WINCHELL:

"The Reds in California are now soliciting 5,000 farmers to attend their phoney Peace Crusade rally in Chicago next June."

COMMENT:

This same information was reported in the Winchell broadcast of April 2, 1951. The Bureau had previously received this information and the American Peace Crusade is presently under investigation by the Bureau.

WINCHELL:

"The Communists in Maryland will campaign to stop the employment of two great investigators who will probe violations of the Ober Act. This requires Communists to register."

COMMENT:

The Bureau has received information that state authorities in Maryland have authorized the employment of two investigators at \$5,000 each to handle violations of the Ober law.

WINCHELL:

"Mr. Bell of the St. Louis Post Dispatch. Please contact Fern H. Mason of Mountain Grove, Missouri. She claims someone has immunity from federal investigation. She may have left that town by now."

COMMENT:

Bureau files failed to reflect any information on Fern H. Mason of Mountain Grove, Missouri. Inasmuch as this statement is general in nature, it is not believed any inquiry is necessary.

WINCHELL:

"New York Mirror. The underworld grapevine says that Brinks Boston hold-up money has been turning up at the Yonkers raceway since the second night of the meet."

COMMENT:

The Bureau has not received any information to this effect.

ACTION:

None. The above is being submitted for your information.

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Harvard Refuses To Ban Guild

The Harvard Law School upheld the "legitimate freedom" of its students by refusing to outlaw the campus unit of the **National Lawyers Guild**.

Contrary to what Samuel P. Spears, president of the Massachusetts Bar Association, criticized a scheduled talk by Omond K. Fraenkel, vice president of the National Lawyers Guild and an ACLU board member. Spears advised Harvard to "stop playing host to the Communist party"—a reference to the House Committee on Un-American Activities listing of the Guild as a Communist-front organization.

Writing the Harvard law dean, Patrick Murphy Malin, executive director, said:

"No organization has a constitutional right to exist in any educational institution, but—as Harvard has long led in emphasizing—its students and/or faculty members should be freely granted the privilege of maintaining legal organizations, and of inviting any speaker whom they desire. And, whatever else one may think about the Guild, it is a legal organization."

Lawyers opposing loyalty oaths for members of their profession lost out in their most recent attempt to kill the anti-Communist statement recommended for members of the American Bar Association. The ABA's House of Delegates voted down a request that the oath recommendation be reconsidered.

COLORADO: A fair employment practices act has passed the legislature and been signed by Gov. Don Thornton. . . . Denver's public librarian banned James Jones' best-selling novel, *From Here to Eternity*, because he objected to the author's "barracks room language".

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TENNESSEE: New law in effect kills state's poll tax.

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DELAWARE: Six movie theaters in Wilmington abandoned long-standing policy by deciding to admit Negro patrons.

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PENNSYLVANIA: Parishioners of St. Patrick's Cathedral in Harrisburg have been urged to boycott permanently a city theater that showed *Bitter Rice*, a film condemned by the National Legion of Decency.

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VIRGINIA: U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Richmond declared University of North Carolina must admit Negroes to its law school. Ruling overthrew lower court decision which turned down plea of students from N.C. Colleges for Negroes, which has inferior facilities.

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CALIFORNIA: University of California students got the left-wing *National Guardian* restored to the Student Union store newsstand by turning store management's rule against it. Publication was banned because three or more students protested. Students then protested in force against *Life*, *Time*, *Saturday Evening Post*, *Reader's Digest*, and Hearst newspaper. . . . Effects of the university's prolonged loyalty oath controversy were shown in booklet issued by faculty committee on academic freedom. More than 100 scholars were lost to the institution, either through dismissal, resignation, or refusal to accept appointments; 55 courses were dropped; and academic authority was lost.

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GEORGIA: Atlanta's censors banned stage play, *Diamond Lil*, starring Mae West, as "obscene and lewd".

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WASHINGTON, D. C.: Supreme Court invalidated Wisconsin law prohibiting strikes in public utilities as in conflict with Taft-Hartley. Similar laws in other states may be endangered. . . . District of Columbia Board of Education censorship for school speakers has been liberalized because of protests. Former procedure of checking potential speakers against unevaluated files of House Committee on Un-American Activities brought bans on Pearl Buck and Marquis Childs. Now loyalty checks will not be made on "well known and favorably regarded". . . . Rep. Thomas J. Lane (D-Mass.) called for Federal censorship board for TV, which he accused of "plunging" down to the primitive state of nuclear the manure pile". . . . Armed services report "satisfactory progress" in their programs to end segregation. . . . Subcommittee of Senate Labor and Public Welfare Committee charged southern textile employers with "shocking" violations of Taft-Hartley, including denial of free speech and assembly. CIO Textile Workers said that as a result its union membership has declined in south since the war.

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LOUISIANA: Archbishop Joseph F. Rummel of New Orleans told clergy and parishioners that segregation must end in Catholic churches and activities and efforts were made to end the practice in social and civic functions.

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NEW YORK: American Jewish Congress urged Commission on Internal Security and Individual Rights to investigate "alarming tendency throughout the country to blacklist persons even remotely associated with any form of liberal activity", as well as abuse of Congressional immunity and investigatory powers. . . . NAACP Counsel Thurgood Marshall charged Army with continuing segregation, despite Army's more optimistic report. Marshall also criticized courts martial system.

HYSTERIA DECRIED

Former Attorney General Francis Biddle has called on lawyers to lead the fight against current expressions of hysteria which leave a mark on civil liberties.

In a Los Angeles talk, Biddle, who is an ACLU National Committee member and head of ADA, declared that "lawyers generally have not appreciated the gravity of the present hysteria affecting not only civil liberties but fundamental human decencies."

He cited as manifestations of this trend the McCarran Act, the renewed activities of the House Committee on Un-American Activities, the spread of loyalty oaths—even to bar groups—and recent accusations against Anna Rosenberg, Asst. Sec. of Defense.

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TO BECOME CITIZEN

A new bill which would allow Mrs. Okana Kasenkina to qualify for American citizenship has started its rounds in Congress.

The new measure would extend Mrs. Kasenkina's period of residency in the U.S. The House earlier approved a bill to let her stay in the country if she paid a visa fee and head tax.

Mrs. Kasenkina leaped from the Soviet consulate at New York in 1948 to escape return to Russia.

ACLU Considering Problems Posed By Crime Telecasts

ACLU is earnestly studying civil liberties problems posed by the televising of Congressional investigating committees, as shown in the recent Kefauver Crime Investigating group.

Under consideration is a wide range of questions arising from the basic conflict between freedom of the press and principles of due process and individual privacy.

In the meantime, the Union announced support of a proposed Congressional inquiry to determine whether regulations for telecasting committee hearings are needed.

In identical letters to the Senate and

House majority and minority leaders, Patrick Murphy Malin, executive director, said:

"We are most concerned over these problems (presented by telecasts) and are giving them careful study in an effort to suggest solutions which will preserve the rights of Congress, the public, and the witnesses. When this study has reached its conclusion, we should appreciate an opportunity to appear before any legislative committees which may undertake such an inquiry."

ACLU Study

In making its own study, ACLU recognizes that the need for procedural fairness at trials or hearings increases as the kinds of publicity media covering the events is broadened and also that the differences between the media may be great enough to justify different sets of rules to govern the conduct of each.

Among possible safeguards which the Union is considering are these: completeness and accuracy of testimony, as well as of information about witnesses, and the preservation of the rights of privacy at least to the extent that it exists in already established types of publicity.

Questions which the Senate crime inquiry telecasts brought to the forefront include the following which the Union will consider:

Should press photography (with flashlight bulbs), newscast and television cameras (with klieg lights), and radio microphones—or any of them—be excluded from the hearing room because they represent a sufficient possibility of distracting witnesses generally from giving as complete and accurate testimony as possible?

Should any or all of them be excludable by decision of the body conducting the hearings?

Should the use of any or all of them be subject to the agreement of a given witness?

Can possible bad effects be minimized, e.g., no flashlight photographs after a witness begins his testimony, klieg lights dimmed in intensity?

Do press photographs, newscasts, broad-casts, and telecasts, increase or decrease the completeness and accuracy of the informational basis of the witness?

Should there be a requirement that any newscast, broadcast, or telecast which carries material adverse to a witness also must carry his rebuttal adequately?

Caution Film Industry On Reprisals As House Group Begins New Inquiry

ACLU has warned the movie industry against punishing film people who refuse to answer questions before the House Committee on Un-American Activities.

Joyce O'Hara of the Motion Picture Association of America was reminded in a letter from ACLU Executive Director Patrick Murphy Malin of the nation's constitutional guarantees against possible self-incrimination and its tradition of free opinion, expression, and association.

Malin's letter was prompted by a published report of a speech in which O'Hara was quoted as indicating that movie people who failed to deny association with Communist or Communist-front organizations undoubtedly would have trouble getting film work in the future.

The Right

"A person may invoke (the self-incrimination) right merely on the basis of a reasonable fear of prosecution; and invoking it is not the equivalent of admitting either the existence of a crime or commission of it," Malin wrote.

Two witnesses—Gale Sondergaard and Howard Da Silva—already have sought protection of the Fifth Amendment in refusing to answer questions put by the House Committee during its most recent investigation of alleged Communist influence in the movie industry.

The ACLU head called upon the MPA to respect the spirit of civil liberties, including equality of treatment in employment where no risk to national security is involved.

"As you know," he stated, "our concern does not arise from any sympathy with Communism; on the contrary, it arises from our democratic belief in civil liberties for everybody, in diametric opposition to the totalitarian tyranny of Communism. . . . The long-run interest of the film industry, like the interest of democracy and national security, lies in preventing and punishing illegal

acts without sacrificing the time-tested American freedom of opinion and expression and association."

Adherence to these principles was illustrated by the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences when it disregarded complaints that several nominees for Oscar awards reportedly had subversive affiliations. Judy Holliday and Jose Ferrer, who won Academy awards, were among those so accused by Ward Bond, according to a published report.

In a telegram to Academy President Charles Brackett, Malin lauded the organization for "apparently refusing to be influenced by allegations regarding nominees' political opinions".

Anti-Censorship Parley Scheduled for May 9th

To meet the rising threat of censorship and suppression, the National Council on Freedom From Censorship will hold a major public meeting in New York City on Wednesday evening, May 9th at 8 P.M. in the Town Hall, 123 West 43rd Street. The meeting is open to the public and all ACLU members and their friends are invited to attend.

Outstanding personalities from the stage, screen, radio, publishing and theatrical fields will address the meeting. Invitations have already been accepted by Lillian Gish, actress, radio commentator H. V. Kaltenborn, playwright Elmer Rice, who heads the National Council, Francis Downing, associate editor of the Catholic weekly, *Commonweal*, dramatic critic Brooks Atkinson, and publisher Donald Klopfer, head of the *World*. Publisher Censorship Council, writer-director-producer Joseph Mankiewicz, whose film, *Johnny Belinda*, recently won the Academy award as the best film of 1950, has indicated he is interested and will make a special trip from Hollywood to speak at the parley, if his schedule permits.

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State Anti-Red Bills Assailed

A new rash of anti-subversive moves, which would curb rather than strengthen civil liberties, has broken out in state legislatures.

Particular danger points are Illinois, California, Pennsylvania, and Massachusetts, where bills aimed against Communists have been introduced. ACLU affiliates are trying to rally public opinion in efforts to prevent their passage.

Both House and Senate of the Illinois legislature are considering measures of this type. Proposed bills would outlaw Communism and provide one to five-year prison terms for Communists; set up a state seditious activities commission again to investigate persons or groups suspected of subversion; require public officers to take loyalty oaths; provide for immediate dismissal of "suspect" public employees; forbid teachers to advocate subversion; and ban teaching materials that are not "friendly to democracy and non-subversive".

ACLU Chicago Division

Urging defeat of these proposals, ACLU's Chicago Division reiterated that Illinois already is protected by laws covering treason, sedition, and criminal syndicalism.

The Civil Liberties Union of Massachusetts likewise has been active in opposing similar measures proposed for that state. Its special target at the moment is a report of the Committee to Curb Communism, which requests that the committee be kept in operation, that legislation patterned after the notorious Ober law of Maryland be enacted, and that members of the Massachusetts bar be required to take loyalty oaths. With the state ACLU in the vanguard, 200 prominent citizens previously had been instrumental in getting before the legislature a bill to abolish the committee.

Penn. Bills

American Legion-sponsored anti-Communist bills introduced in the Pennsylvania General Assembly drew the fire of liberal groups and persons. Among them were Owen J. Roberts, former U.S. Supreme Court justice, and Clarence E. Pickett, honorary secretary of the American Friends Service Committee. The measures would set up mandatory oaths for state employees, including teachers, and would provide the death penalty for persons who intentionally delayed or interfered with defense preparations. Roberts and Pickett charged that the bills "would fail of their purpose and endanger and destroy some of our most precious and fundamental rights and liberties".

Anti-subversive measures introduced in the California legislature would set up a joint Assembly and Senate committee on un-American activities; require loyalty oaths of varied groups of persons, including law-

WASHINGTON ROUNDUP:

Proposed Immigration Law Changes Criticized As Unworthy Of America

Edward J. Ennis, a former assistant U.S. attorney general, threw welcome light on some shortcomings of our present immigration and naturalization laws.

As chairman of the ACLU Alien Civil Rights Committee, Ennis appeared before joint hearings of the Senate and House Judiciary subcommittees to register Union objections to proposed bills amending the laws now in force.

For the most part, Ennis' recommendations on behalf of ACLU would make it easier for aliens who are former Communists to enter the United States. But their primary purpose was to amplify our basic democratic principles.

For one thing Ennis objected to a proposal that former Communists be admitted only if their entry were "in the public interest".

Good Faith

"If their renunciation is in good faith," he pointed out, "then there is no justification for this special burden on them, since their

New York Passes Bill Stopping Housing Bias

New York City has a new law which forbids discrimination in private housing projects built with financial help from the city—in the form of funds or tax exemptions.

Final approval and signing of the bill followed a long campaign sparked by the New York State Committee Against Discrimination in Housing to which ACLU belongs.

Pressure for such a measure arose after the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company was accused of discriminating against Negroes at its huge Stuyvesant Town project in Manhattan. Metropolitan's attempted eviction of 31 Stuyvesant Town and Peter Cooper Village tenants who vigorously protested the alleged bias was upheld recently in municipal court. They planned an appeal.

Provisions

The new law prohibits discrimination because of race, color, religion, national origin, or ancestry. It provides a \$500 fine for each violation and permits victims of discrimination to seek injunctions in the state Supreme Court.

The State Committee Against Discrimination in Housing urged passage of the act after the U.S. Supreme Court declined to review a New York State Court of Appeals ruling that Metropolitan was not required legally to admit Negroes to its Stuyvesant Town apartments since Federal equal protection laws were not involved. During hearings on its eviction case against the 31 tenants, the life insurance firm ignored the question of discrimination, claiming only that a landlord had a right to choose his tenants.

yers and those operating under license from the Department of Professional and Vocational Standards, such as doctors, barbers, pest control inspectors, dry cleaners, and undertakers; provide repressive restrictions on teachers; require registration of Communists and Communist organizations; and create anti-Communist investigatory commissions.

ACLU of Northern California is fighting the bills.

capacities to become acceptable U.S. residents and citizens is as great as any other potential immigrant."

As it stands, Ennis said, the proposal would benefit only a "few well-known authors and political figures. It is doubtful that the average person who has become disillusioned with Communism or Fascism... will be at all benefited by this provision so long as the 'public interest' requirement remains."

For ACLU, Ennis also opposed deporting aliens who formerly belonged to Communist or other totalitarian groups.

"If one believes that the purpose of freedom of speech is to persuade," he said, "and that people can be changed from previously held totalitarian beliefs to democratic ones, then this provision does a disservice to that concept."

Deportation

Moreover, he took occasion to repeat ACLU's long-standing opposition to deporting aliens who still belong to such groups.

"Our position is hardly based on any love of Communists, Fascists, or other totalitarians," Ennis told the hearing. "It rests on our fundamental concern for the preservation for all persons of the freedoms guaranteed by the spirit and letter of the Constitution, regardless of how deviant, obnoxious, abhorrent, or stupid the beliefs or political associations of such persons may be."

The way to deal with security problems created by Communists, he said, is to pass "proper and wise legislation directed at the threat and not by making a distinction based on the status of citizenship."

A companion point made by Ennis for ACLU concerned restrictions on visitors' permits for people who are barred as permanent immigrants because of their political views. Under the present setup about the only persons from Communist and Communist-controlled countries able to enter the U.S. temporarily are diplomats and others coming to America on official international business.

Exclusion

"Of course we have no objection to the imposition of fair security safeguards to be applied to such temporary visitors," Ennis said. "But our nation's fundamental belief in the principles of free expression, and our status as host to the United Nations, demands that we should not exclude visitors on account of their political beliefs or associations."

ACLU also recommended that persons who were "nominal" members of Communist or other totalitarian organizations be allowed entry, and no person under 16 in this group should be barred. (Since then a special bill, amending a section of the McCarran Act, has been passed by Congress and signed by President Truman which, in effect, would accomplish this purpose.)

No Teacher Ban Against Clerics

ACLU has recommended that members of religious orders be permitted to teach in public schools so long as they do not wear religious habits.

The Union stand was disclosed in a friend of the court brief filed with the New Mexico Supreme Court. That body is considering an appeal from a state district court ruling that declared 139 Roman Catholic priests, brothers, and nuns ineligible to teach in the public schools and that also prohibited distribution of free textbooks by the state to parochial schools, transportation of parochial school pupils in public school buses, and use of church-controlled property for public school instruction.

One appeal from the lower court decision was filed by Protestant residents of Dixon, N.M., who filed the original test suit and now want the ruling enlarged to cover all Catholic priests and nuns and to forbid the wearing of religious garments. A second appeal, filed by the Catholic church, seeks to set aside the lower court ruling entirely.

In its brief, ACLU argued that the First and 14th Amendments would be violated by any ruling disqualifying members of religious orders per se as teachers. On the other hand, it said, permitting teachers to wear clothes designating their religious affiliation likewise violates the First Amendment by injecting religion into the public school system.

ACLU Appeal

If New Mexico can bar Catholics from teaching in public schools, ACLU declared, it may, and in order to treat all sects equally it must, disqualify members of the Protestant Episcopal orders and ordained ministers of the Protestant and Jewish and other faiths. The important question determining teacher qualifications is not "creed, religion, ideologies and associations," ACLU asserted, but integrity of work with students and whether the classroom has been used to inculcate religious beliefs.

(The New Mexico district court decided that the 139 Catholics cited had been promoting their religion in classes.)

Each teacher's case in short, must be judged separately on its own facts, and in terms of deeds, not on the basis of beliefs or associations, according to the brief. "It would be a violation of basic constitutional principles to disqualify a teacher merely because of his religious affiliations, Roman Catholic or otherwise. It would invoke the doctrine of guilt by association."

Thus a teacher should be accorded all freedoms guaranteed by the Bill of Rights, the brief pointed out, and while a state may set teacher qualifications it cannot "under the guise of qualifications" in effect discriminate against Catholics.

"Prohibition against wearing of religious garb by public school teachers," the brief added, "is merely the proper application of the constitutional doctrine of separation of church and state which tries to keep religion and government from commingling in the public schools in order to secure the independence of every religion and to preserve the children in the public schools from the influence or control of any of the many religions and denominations. Otherwise, said, classrooms would become centers for the various religions."

LENIENCY SOUGHT

ACLU has urged Governor Fielding Wright of Mississippi to commute Willie McGee's death sentence to life imprisonment.

The Union wired Fielding to take such action to eliminate charges of discrimination against Negroes. No white man in the state has been executed for rape, the crime of which McGee was convicted.

ACLU took no position on defense contentions that perjured testimony was used against the southern Negro. The Supreme Court recently refused for the fourth time to review the case. McGee's execution has been set for May 8th.

School Board Praised For Lattimore Stand

ACLU's Maryland Civil Liberties Committee has warmly commended the Baltimore school commissioners for permitting Owen Lattimore to address a high school assembly in the face of opposition.

At the urging of American Legion leaders, the Baltimore City Council had asked the commissioners to cancel the scheduled talk. Lattimore, a Johns Hopkins University professor and a Far East expert, has been called a Communist by Senator Joseph McCarthy.

"In these times such action (as the commissioners took) requires courage, integrity, and a greater respect for the Constitution and the Bill of Rights than for the opinion of demagogues and their followers," the Maryland committee said in a letter to the commissioners. "We wish to express our thanks . . . for preventing a most un-American display of ignorance and repression."

Decision

In announcing its decision to ignore the City Council's recommendations, the school board declared:

"We do not agree with the suggestion that high school students should be shielded from all controversial subjects and personalities. . . . If we were convinced that Mr. Lattimore is disloyal we would not grant permission for him to speak. But Mr. Lattimore has not yet been found guilty of disloyalty by any responsible agency."

The United Nations Youth Council at Baltimore City College had invited Lattimore to address an assembly. A Senate subcommittee cleared him of McCarthy's charges.

LEGISLATIVE BOXSCORE

CLOTURE REFORM: Under the Senate's present cloture rule, no bill which legislation can hope to escape being filibustered to death. Three bills for democratic limitation of debate are now before the Sub-Committee on Rules of the Senate Committee on Rules and Administration: S. Res. 97, sponsored by Sens. Ives and Lodge; S. Res. 41, sponsored by Sens. Morse and Humphrey; S. Res. 105, sponsored by Sens. Lehman, Murray, Magnuson, Neely, Douglas, Humphrey, Green, Benton, Pastore, McMahon and Kilgore. Let the members of the Rules Sub-Committee—Democrats Carl Hayden of Arizona, chairman, and Mike Monroney of Oklahoma, and Republican Kenneth Wherry of Nebraska—know that you favor reform of the cloture rule and ask them to schedule hearings on all of these resolutions in an effort to determine the best way to allow full debate but prevent the filibuster technique.

Loyalty, Defense Bills Condemned

ACLU and its New York City Committee tried unsuccessfully to prevent passage of two state bills which they felt encroached on civil liberties.

In telegrams and in testimony before a legislative committee, the Union and its affiliates pointed out cogent objections to the New York civil defense act and to the loyalty act.

A joint telegram to the state Senate and House majority leaders from ACLU Executive Director Patrick Murphy Malin and the Rev. John Paul Jones, head of the city committee, asserted that the civil defense measure would give "the governor dictatorial powers and (permit) censorship of forms of communications other than newspapers". They recommended that no defense legislation except that necessary to "avert physical disaster should be enacted at once".

Albany Testimony

Earlier, Herbert Monte Levy, ACLU staff counsel, had traveled to Albany to testify against the civil defense act. Levy told a joint legislative committee that after necessary defense laws were enacted a commission should be appointed to conduct full hearings, consult civil defense experts, study current defense problems, and make appropriate recommendations. He added that ACLU objected also to the bill's lack of safeguards in loyalty matters, its threat of protective labor law suspension, and its provisions for turning legislative responsibility over to the governor. ACLU did not oppose conscription for civil defense, he said.

Safeguards

The telegram which Malin and Jones sent to legislative leaders concerning the controversial loyalty bill charged that "procedural safeguards to insure fairness to government employes are almost entirely lacking" in it.

The loyalty law provides that any civil service employe in sensitive work who is suspected on "reasonable grounds" of being subversive may be fired or transferred. Such action may be taken by any state officer or agency following an investigation. The worker may appeal and in event of an adverse ruling may take his case to the State Civil Service Commission. But hearings will not be restricted by regulations such as apply in courts and the commission's decision will be final.

Malin and Jones said ACLU and its affiliate did not oppose the objectives of the loyalty bill but only its methods of dealing with suspected employes.

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TO : Mr. D. M. Ladd

FROM : Mr. A. H. Belmont

SUBJECT: WALTER WINCHELL BROADCAST

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The Winchell broadcast of May 6, 1951, was monitored by Supervisor L. G. Davis and the following items of possible interest to the Bureau were noted:

WINCHELL:

"London - Moscow radio announces the assassination of the French air commander in south east Asia, General Andre Hartman." (phonetic)

COMMENT:

None.

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WINCHELL:

"The big rumor tonight in the Capital is that Senator Brien McMahon may get Dean Acheson's job when the Secretary of State can step out gracefully."

COMMENT:

None.

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WINCHELL:

"Martha Rays, the star, was robbed of three fur coats valued at \$11,000. No insurance."

COMMENT:

None.

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WINCHELL:

"Attention, Miami kidnapers. The ransom money is marked. The ransom money is marked. Fifty and one hundred dollar bills. The penalty for kidnaping in the State of Florida is the chair."

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Later:

"Miami, Florida. Here's the lowdown on the very curious kidnapping of a very small-time racketeer's wife. The thing gets phonier every edition. Miami police are hep. Whoever heard of nine telephone contacts in a snatch? If any of you people down here know the name of the forsaken - the forsaken - other woman in the husband's life, please phone Winchell at once, WQM, NBC, or Roney Plaza. P.S. The husband of the alleged victim owed the other woman \$30,000, the exact money paid in the alleged ransom. Catch on?"

COMMENT:

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Winchell was referring to the "Unsub - [REDACTED] Victim" case which broke a week ago. This was a local violation in which there is no federal jurisdiction. The victim has been returned. Victim's husband was a racketeer in Providence, Rhode Island, before going to Miami. The matter has been followed closely by the Bureau.

WINCHELL:

"General Bedell Smith, Chief of U. S. Intelligence, is even overworking his ulcers. Bedell Smith will not rest and his many friends are very worried about his health."

COMMENT:

None.

WINCHELL:

"Last Sunday night I mentioned the only missing - at the time - Kefhauer witness, Irving Sherman. I said last Sunday night, 'Come on in - don't be a chump. They know about Canada.' Sherman surrendered a few days later."

COMMENT:

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The Bureau has previously discontinued active investigation to locate Sherman. However, we have been maintaining [REDACTED] informant coverage. Inasmuch as Sherman has been located, all Bureau [REDACTED] have been removed.

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WINCHELL:

Attention, Reporter Phillip Graham, Washington Post. Hear anything about Senator Kefauver being sick - collapsed - upcoming - according to doctors.

COMMENT:

None.

WINCHELL:

"San Diego Union. Hollywood Communists are planning migration to Mexico City. Mexican police are watching for them to crack down."

COMMENT:

As you are aware, there have been a few instances in connection with our border coverage program wherein informants have indicated that the possibility exists that Communists in the U. S. may endeavor to go to Mexico in event of hostilities or possible apprehension.

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Through our coverage of Communist activities on the West Coast it is known that several such persons have gone to Mexico. This has not been restricted to "Hollywood" Communists. One of the "Hollywood" Communists who is known to have gone to Mexico is [REDACTED] The State Department, [REDACTED] and Legal Attache in Mexico are advised when we learn that such persons are going.

WINCHELL:

"Attention, all newspapers. The American Communist Party has lost half of its negro membership."

COMMENT:

In January, 1947, the total membership of the Communist Party was 74,000. Currently, it is slightly over 37,000. Winchell's statement with regard to loss of negro membership by the Party is in proportion to the above figures for total membership of the Party.

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WINCHELL:

"To all of you. All of you suckers. The courts in Wilmington have ruled that contributions or donations to Merwin K. Hart's very peculiar outfit are not deductible."

COMMENT:

Merwin Kimball Hart is president of the National Economic Council, Inc. [REDACTED]

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b7C [REDACTED] He has been attacked by the Communist Party as a fascist. No Bureau investigation has been conducted of his organization. [REDACTED]

WINCHELL:

"Honolulu Advertiser. An American Navy task force has rushed arms to Thailand. This is very big news west of Manila."

COMMENT:

None.

WINCHELL:

"The book of the month - 'The Communist Trail in America.'"

COMMENT:

In his broadcast on April 30, 1951, Winchell "plugged" this book. The author is Jacob Spolansky, a former Bureau Agent (1923). His book has been reviewed by the Internal Security Section and a memorandum has previously been submitted concerning it.

WINCHELL:

"New York Post Syndicate. Your columnist comes up before Federal Judge Knox tomorrow morning for not revealing his source on items regarding the Rosenberg spy case. Former Senate Crime Committee Counsel Rudolph Halley will be at the newspaperman's side in case of contempt. Mr. Halley, I say, let him go to jail. I need a very big laugh."

COMMENT:

As you are aware, various news columnists have been called before the Court with respect to the proceedings in the Rosenberg trial concerning their knowledge of information that the government

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was exerting pressure by placing Ethel Rosenberg in the death house at Sing Sing while leaving Julius Rosenberg in the Federal House of Detention at New York City. It is probable that the Post columnist referred to above is Leonard Lyons.

ACTION:

None. Submitted for your information.

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TO : **D. M. LADD**

FROM : **A. H. BELMONT**

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WINCHELL:

"U. S. Attorney General McGrath has summoned his 92 federal district attorneys to Washington to discuss action in two weeks on the crime reports."

COMMENT:

As you know, a conference of United States Attorneys has been scheduled in the near future.

WINCHELL:

"New York City - District Attorney Frank Hogan will subpoena many top Broadway citizens and some very well known restaurant owners in New York in the fire department probe."

COMMENT:

None.

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WINCHELL:

"Senator Estes Kefauver says the evidence does not justify Governor Dewey's pardon of gang chieftain Lucky Luciano. -- Our very best undercover narcotics agents have been assigned full-time duty to the U. S. Senate Crime Committee to catch up with Lucky Luciano's dope agents in the United States."

COMMENT:

None.

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WINCHELL:

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"Sofia - Heavy Russian equipment is rolling into Bulgaria. The terrific military activity means a tremendous massing on Tito's border. Marshal Tito is rushing great airfields---- Mao (Tse Tsung) has been told that a stalemate means defeat. Phony peace terms will be offered again providing for a North

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and South Korean coalition government. --- Rome - The Communists will lose heavily in the elections next month. --- Cairo - Russian strategy is to knock out Middle East oil--not to grab it for herself. Thirtyfive per cent of Europe's oil comes from Iran. Ninety per cent from the Middle East. If the Middle East goes, we will have peacetime gas rationing in the United States."

COMMENT:

None.

WINCHELL:

"General Willoughby, MacArthur's Chief of Intelligence, has been called before the House Un-American Activities Committee. He is German-born."

COMMENT:

As you know, General Willoughby is also slated to appear before the McCarran Committee and the Armed Services Committee.

WINCHELL:

"Top State Department officials are under investigation again for loyalty."

COMMENT:

We have no pending loyalty investigations of individuals falling in this category which have been reopened as indicated by Winchell. However, as you know, we are presently conducting a loyalty investigation of [redacted] who has received considerable publicity with regard to his loyalty.

WINCHELL:

"Another terrific spy case will break wide open shortly. It concerns a Russian agent operating out of the Nazi Embassy in Washington. He was a German diplomat."

COMMENT:

It is not known to what case Winchell may have referred to in this statement.

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WINCHELL:

"Attention, Washington Post. This one might break on Tuesday, next, when the House Un-American Activities Committee starts the hearings on the Reds of Hollywood. Two nationally known names will admit having been members of the Communist Party. One is a famed novelist of best sellers. The other, a prominent moving picture director."

COMMENT:

The novelist referred to is apparently [REDACTED]

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The Hollywood director referred to is probably [REDACTED] who has been sought by the HUAC but has been reported to have been avoiding subpoena. His attorney has indicated that [REDACTED] has been seriously considering an appearance before the Committee to explain his position in the Hollywood Communist organization. [REDACTED]

WINCHELL:

"Mr. and Mrs. United States. Far more deadly than the accusations by General MacArthur are the devastating admissions the Administration keeps making against itself. General George Marshall--this week--told the Senate and the world that John Carter Vincent had a great deal to do with our Far East policy. But General Marshall did not tell you that the Administration demoted Mr. Vincent from Ambassador to Consul at Tangiers because Vincent's loyalty had been questioned."

COMMENT:

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WINCHELL:

"Wiggins, Graham, Washington Post--Colonel Rufin N. McKim, He's the Assistant Soviet Military Attache, has been recalled to Moscow. He sails on the 24th. Queen Liz."

COMMENT:

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WINCHELL:

"Panama - The following exclusive, ladies and gentlemen, went over these microphones last December 17, 1950. Listen--the Panamanian Government may be overthrown at any moment. A military cliche lead by Colonel Remon, the Chief of Police, is leading it. President Arias is the target--assassination--end quote. A scoop of five months."

COMMENT:

Winchell was referring to the recent strife in Panama between Colonel Jose Remon, head of the National Police, and Dr. Arnulfo Arias, President, in which Arias was ousted as President and replaced by Alcibiades Arosemena, Vice-President.

WINCHELL:

"To all the bookstores in the fortyeight. I am buying hundreds of copies of the new expose on Reds--'The Communist Trail in America,' publisher, McMillan. 'The Communist Trail in America.' I am going to send a copy to every member of the U. S. Senate and the House of Representatives. The people must read it. 'The Communist Trail in America.' To the editor of 'Look.' The current page 28 'Look Applauds' was inserted into the Congressional Record by Congressman Dallinger of New York. He also inserted pages 81 through 83 of 'The Communist Trail in America.' Thank you very much Congressman Dallinger."

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COMMENT:

Winchell has previously "plugged" this book in his recent broadcasts. It is written by Jacob Spolansky, a former Bureau Agent (1923). The book has been reviewed and a memorandum has previously been submitted concerning it.

WINCHELL:

"Oslo - A body identified as that of American Broadcasting System correspondent Lyford Moore was found in Oslo harbor tonight. He has been missing since December."

COMMENT:

We have received copies of State Department cables concerning this matter. No investigation has been conducted by us. He disappeared on night of December 10, 1950, after a few drinks with friends in a hotel in Oslo, Norway, after which he went to a waterfront night club. Information available in file does not indicate Moore had any intelligence connections. (64-33464).

ACTION

None. Submitted for your information.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

May 14, 1951

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"Dear Mr. H. :

For your information.

Rose" (Bigman)

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Dear Mr. N: For your information
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MR. ISIDORE DOLLINGER

MAY 9, 1951

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WALTER WINCHALL

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Mr. Speaker,

I should like to call to the attention of the Members of this House a new book entitled "The Communist Trail in America" by Jacob Spalansky.

In the book, the author points out that the Communists in the United States conducted an organized campaign against newspaper men and commentators and that Mr. Walter Winchall was the only one against whom the Communists carried out a systematic attack for a period of years. The excerpts from the book which I am inserting in the Congressional Record, are a fine tribute to Mr. Winchall and show that the Communists consider him a formidable enemy.

It is gratifying to learn that Walter Winchall's ceaseless efforts in the battle against Communism are recognized. During the past month, some of my colleagues and I have inserted in the Congressional Record a number of articles written by Mr. Winchall. However, very little has been said about him up to this time. I am pleased to have this opportunity to describe him to you as an eminent writer, columnist, and champion of human rights. Yesterday, he was named as winner of one of the "Michael" awards of the Academy of Radio and Television Arts and Sciences, as "Best consistent radio news commentator." Also, we must not overlook his sincere and unselfish endeavors in the interest of the public good. The May 22, 1951 issue of LOOK which reached the public stands on May 8, 1951 carried a story about Walter Winchall and his interest in the Damon Runyon Cancer Fund Crusade, and I am also inserting that story in the Record.

Because he is so widely read and heard, Walter Winchall's thoughts, words, ideals and campaigns for the right, are brought to the attention of millions. In these dark days when we face the reality that our enemies would destroy us from without and within our nation, Walter Winchall stands out as the Number One Enemy

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of Communism. His fearlessness, his attacks upon those who would undermine our democracy, arouse our admiration. I consider him a great fighter for liberty, freedom and Americanism.

Walter Winchell, patriot, is performing a splendid service for our nation and I am happy publicly to acknowledge that service.

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FROM PAGES (11-5) of "The Communist Trail in America":

"In his Sunday night broadcast, Walter Winchell told of the secret Communist gatherings at which strike strategy was laid out. Because he had excellent sources of information, he was able to startle the Communists by quoting, nearly verbatim, just what was transpiring at these secret sessions. Winchell described the minute doings of the conspirators and even reported the way in which they boasted of their success in particular plants then gripped by strikes.

"Writers and commentators who exposed them were given the slantier treatment. Literary gentry, friendly to the Communist cause would be enlisted in the all out effort to blacken and defame him. To squelch Walter Winchell, however, colossal preparations were needed - Winchell was a formidable enemy. Not only had he mercilessly pumelled them through the years, but he was rubbing salt into their wounds by reporting every word and gesture at their clandestine sessions. The time had come for vengeance.

"To cross Walter Winchell and his diatribes, a special conference was called in an obscure Chicago meeting room on April 8, 1942.

"Extra precautions were taken to insure that absolutely no one except the trusted hierarchy was admitted to that room. Credentials were checked and double-checked to prevent any intruder from slipping in. Yet an undercover operator did manage to sneak in! The Communists, we learned from him, were furious over Walter Winchell's success in pointing his accusing finger at them and were determined to punish him.

"The meeting, called at the insistence of Robert Miner, National Secretary of the Communist Party, was presided over by Pat Toohay, that State Organizer for Illinois. Toohay got to the point immediately. 'We've got instructions,' he said, 'to start a campaign to take Winchell off the air. Nobody needs to be reminded how important that job is' - - This was the plan. Hundreds of thousands, perhaps millions of letters were to deluge the radio network and Winchell's sponsor, all protesting his attacks upon 'an innocent political party.' Organizations, thousands of them, some real but most of them fictitious, were to join to fight Walter Winchell's 'persecution.'

" 'Above all,' Toohay warned, 'the name of the Communist Party must be kept out.'

" 'The protests should seem spontaneous and real.'

"The scheme elaborately drawn up, was doomed to failure because Winchell exposed it before it got under way. His information about the Communists was accurate to the last detail...powerful ammunition."

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Following is the article which appeared in LOOK MAGAZINE:

NEW YORK MIRROR
DAILY AND SUNDAY

235 EAST 49TH STREET
NEW YORK 17, N. Y.
MURRAY HILL 2-1000

May 27, 1951

- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. Ladd
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Glavin
- Mr. Nichols
- Mr. Rosen
- Mr. Tracy
- Mr. Harbo
- Mr. Alden
- Mr. Belmont
- Mr. Laughlin
- Mr. Mohr
- Tele. Room
- Mr. Nease
- Miss Gandy

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Mr. Winchell is leaving Florida on Wednesday and will be in Washington on Thursday. He is broadcasting from Washington on June 3rd. Will probably return to New York some time that week.

regards,

Paul (Bigman)
for Walter Winchell

no answer needed

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- Mr. [unclear] ✓
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- Mr. [unclear] ✓
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From Walter Winchell.

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Rose:

The Boss wanted Hoover to see this.

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LINDSAY Mc PHAIL

333 WEST 56th STREET

NEW YORK 19, N. Y.

Telephone: Circle 7-3297

April 23, 1951

T. Hoover

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①
Mr. Walter Winchell
235 East 45th Street
New York 17, New York

Dear Mr. Winchell:

Your broadcasts are becoming better each week. Last night (22nd) I got a particular kick out of your "STAND UP AND BE COUNTED" line. In fact, you may have invented this line some time back in a broadcast, after which I put the enclosed song together.

Naturally nobody wants to perform it, because it tells the truth about the Commies, altho not mentioning them by name. All of which makes me wonder if the show business isn't a bit over-permeated with red herrings. Evidently this is the case, even with the music PUBLISHERS, as I see in Ed Sullivan's column in today's Daily News (23rd) that, quote: "FBI is wrapping up expose on Commies in the music business"....

Just thought you might like to have a copy of a good but unknown ASCAP song. Keep up your fine work.

Cordially,

Lindsay McPhail

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Stand Up And Be Counted

Words & Music by
LINDSAY McPHAIL
(A.S.C.A.P.)

With vigor



VOICE

STAND UP! UP! AND BE COUN - TED Are you
AND BE COUN - TED Are you

...Doxology theme in bass.....

loy - al to the Red, White and Blue? STAND
faith - ful to the cause of the free? STAND

UP! UP! AND BE COUN - TED Now's the
AND BE COUN - TED Will you

...Doxology theme (minor).....

time for ev - 'ry one to prove he's true Don't for -
fight to save our land of lib - er - ty? Find the

(choice notes)

F C7

get, there is no mid - die road to tra - vel an - y -
 one who's bor - ing from with - in, - ex - pose him to the

C G7 (choice notes) F C7

more. We must "do or die", to kill the lie that
 light. You will find him, al - ways shout - ing that our

F G7 C7 F C7

threat - ens ev - 'ry shore. So, pledge your al - le - giance to the
 coun - try's nev - er right. It's your land and my land to de -

F C7 F F+ Bb Gm7 G9 (b5) C7

flag fend, we day a - dore. - STAND UP! AND BE COUN - TED
 and night. - STAND UP! AND BE COUN - TED

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : D. M. LADD *DL*

FROM : A. H. BELMONT *Q*

SUBJECT: WALTER WINCHELL BROADCAST
MAY 20, 1951

DATE: May 21, 1951

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The Winchell Broadcast of May 20, 1951, was monitored by Supervisor L. G. Davis and the following items of possible interest were noted:

WINCHELL:

"Mexico City - Ambassador William O'Dwyer has made up his mind - he will resign shortly to spare the administration further embarrassment. I said so February 23, also March 18." *DL 11-1*

COMMENT: None

WINCHELL:

"Harold Shapiro, the Department of Justice man who kissed and told on Judy Coplon was secretly married recently to another Government girl."

COMMENT: None

WINCHELL:

"The Warden of Utah State Prison reports a rebellion. The prisoners, he says, have taken over. All State Police and County Sheriffs have been rushed to the scene - 20 miles from Salt Lake City. - - - I talked to the Deputy Warden about the rebellion at Utah State Prison. He says the prisoners hold seven guards and have complete control of the prison. Prison officials are barricaded at the Warden's headquarters. 'Anyone killed?' I asked. 'Not yet.' was the reply."

COMMENT:

SAC Newman has telephonically advised the Bureau concerning this matter and stated that he is keeping in touch with the situation. A memorandum and separate caption has been prepared. *3/15/51*

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WINCHELL:

"Ankara - Heavy border fighting instead of mere patrol action is expected any hour between Bulgaria and Yugoslavia."

COMMENT: None

WINCHELL:

"Moscow's new peace deal will include these terms. All foreign armies to leave Korea. A general election for the entire country. The joker, however, is that the Red Army would remain on one border and we would have to retreat 9,000 miles. This lopsided peace offer will be turned down."

COMMENT: None

WINCHELL:

"The White House advisors are desperately looking for a face-saving angle to fire Mr. Acheson."

COMMENT: None

WINCHELL:

"British experts believe that Russia has produced an atomic explosion but not the big bomb."

COMMENT: None

WINCHELL:

"The big decision on the eleven convicted Reds in Judge Medina's New York Court may be handed down tomorrow by the high court. - - Also Red conspirator Judy Coplon's case."

COMMENT: None

WINCHELL:

"Please don't miss Collier's magazine now on the stands, Phil Fay's excellent article on cancer quacks confirms Winchell's expose about these frauds - - - Thanks also to

U. S. Attorney Saypol's prosecutors Reagan and Titolo. They just won 15 count indictments against Joseph Brandt the cancer racketeer exposed by Winchell last year. The U. S. Government also charges that this louse Joseph Brandt and his aid named Sidney Greenberg capitalized on the publicity given to cancer drives by me and the American Cancer Society. These bums are charged with attracting \$116,000 which might have gone to the accredited groups and allocated only \$6,000 to their victims. What rats."

COMMENT:

The Bureau's files do not reflect that we have conducted investigation in this matter.

The case referred to by Winchell may be a Mail Fraud case handled by the Post Office Department.

WINCHELL:

"Senator McCarran's torpedoes are about ready. The State Department's far-east policy, it will be proven, is the greatest betrayal since Benedict Arnold tried to sell West Point."

COMMENT:

Winchell was referring to the forthcoming McCarran Committee hearings about which the Bureau is cognizant.

WINCHELL:

"One of our very greatest Americans suffers from loss of memory. A very great worry over at the Department of Defense."

COMMENT:

The individual to whom Winchell referred is not ~~definitely~~ known.

ACTION:

None. Submitted for your information.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Ladd *DL*

FROM : A. H. Belmont *AL*

SUBJECT: WALTER WINCHELL BROADCAST
JUNE 3, 1951

DATE: June 4, 1951

Mr. Tolson

Mr. E. A. Tamm

Mr. Clegg

Mr. Glavin

Mr. Ladd

Mr. Nichols

Mr. Rosen

Mr. Tracy

Mr. Harbo

Mr. Mohr

Mr. Winterrowd

Miss Gandy

The Walter Winchell Broadcast for Sunday, June 3, 1951, was monitored by Special Agent Smith Blair and the following items of interest to the Bureau were noted:

WINCHELL:

"New York City - The many investigations into Hollywood Communism will now get some action from the new Federal Grand Jury in New York City."

COMMENT:

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The Federal Grand Jury now meeting in New York City is not known to be considering any Hollywood figures for indictment. They are considering indicting 18 of the top leaders of the Communist Party, all of whom are in New York City. The House Committee on Un-American Activities has referred movie actor John Garfield's testimony to the Department for consideration as a possible Perjury violation.

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WINCHELL:

"To all newspapers - One of the outstanding atomic experts in America is now under a 24-hour heavy watch. When this one breaks, it will be a most sensational story."

COMMENT:

Winchell possibly has reference to [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] He is the subject of a pending Bureau investigation. This investigation has failed to verify past Communist Party membership or any present activity in the Communist Party.

ACTION: None. This is being submitted for your information.

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TO : MR. D. M. LADD *[Signature]*

FROM : MR. A. H. BELMONT *[Signature]*

SUBJECT: WALTER WINCHELL BROADCAST
May 27, 1951

DATE: May 28, 1951

The Winchell Broadcast of May 27, 1951, was monitored by Supervisor L. G. Davis and the following items of possible interest were noted:

WINCHELL:

"The U. S. Senate Crime Committee will turn over a perjury case to the Department of Justice this week against a New York Judge."

COMMENT:

No request for investigation of such a person has been received by the Bureau. The identity of the judge referred to is not known.

WINCHELL:

"Oxford Mississippi - Civilian Defense Director Caldwell warned tonight that World War III is closer than ever."

COMMENT: None

WINCHELL:

"Budapest - The second rebellion in Red Army history was suppressed by machine guns in the Lake Bolitan (ph.) area. Seventeen cadets dead."

COMMENT: None

WINCHELL:

"Buenos Aires - Dictator Peron who reportedly fired the inventor of the phony A-Bomb the other day confirmed another Winchell. You heard me debunk it this way nine weeks ago on March 25, 'Dictator Peron hasn't any atomic bombs!' From A-Bomb to bum in half a line."

COMMENT: None

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Mr. Holloman	
Miss Gandy	

WINCHELL:

"General ~~Wild Bill~~ ^{Donovan} arrives in New York City Tuesday with one of his wings in a sling. The official version, ladies and gentlemen, is that Wild Bill had fall at Strasbourg. I hear he was wounded in a fight between intelligence agents in Arabia."

COMMENT: None

WINCHELL:

"Debunking the bunk - To all the men in the Army and their families. The New York Times the other day, last Wednesday I think, ran an article on the alleged low morale of our boys in uniform. The reporter stated that draftees at three American camps told him that someone told them, 'Walter Winchell said send a letter to the boys in Korea but say a prayer for the boys at Pickett, Meade, and Atterberry.' Well, I never said anything like it. My files can be inspected any time. Perhaps some radio commentator did, but Winchell didn't. I went through similar rumors in the last war. Bunk! Probably Red propaganda."

COMMENT: None

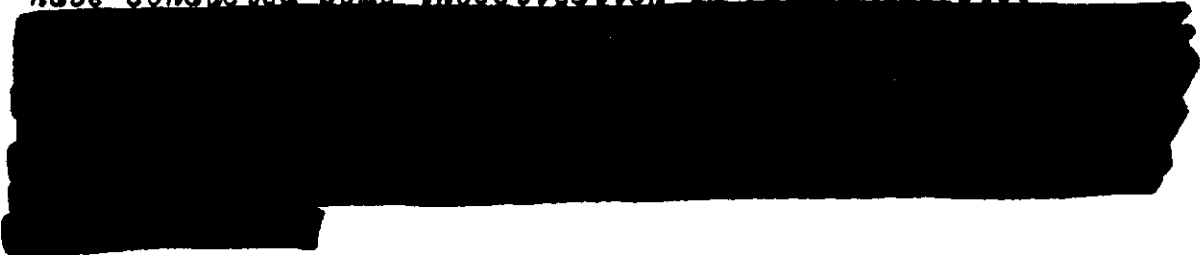
WINCHELL:

"Gerald L. ~~K. Smith~~ and Wesley ~~Swift~~, I believe, were subpoenaed last week by the government to testify about their part in the defamation campaign against Mrs. Anna Rosenberg the assistant to the Defense Department Chiefs."

COMMENT:

As you know, a Grand Jury here in Washington has been making inquiries into the testimony given before the Senate Armed Services Committee concerning Anna Rosenberg. We have conducted some investigation in regard thereto.

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WINCHELL:

"A very important Civil Rights case coming up tomorrow in Federal Court - St. Louis. Joseph A. Moore, former Police Chief of Portageville, Missouri, was nailed by G-men and then indicted for improper treatment of prisoners, male and female."

COMMENT:

Winchell referred to the case of Joe Armit Moore, Chief of Police at Portageville, Missouri, which case has been investigated by the Bureau upon the request of the Department. Moore is charged with violating the Civil Rights of prisoners in his custody by brutally mistreating them. He was recently indicted and his case goes to trial today.

WINCHELL:

"The Vice Consul of a foreign nation was arrested and convicted in New York two weeks ago, but he's out on probation now. Not a word in the papers - arrested - Central Park."

COMMENT:

We have no information on this but on the possibility that it may have a Security angle we are having the New York Office check on this.

WINCHELL:

"The new Grand Jury formed in New York City last week will summon David Niles, just resigned from Mr. Truman's staff."

COMMENT:

As you are aware, the Grand Jury in the Southern District of New York is considering the cases of eighteen additional Communist leaders. We have received no information that Niles will appear before the Grand Jury. However, we are having the New York Office check on this.

ACTION:

None. Submitted for your information.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Belmont

DATE: June 18, 1951

FROM : V. P. Keay

SUBJECT: WALTER WINCHELL BROADCAST
JUNE 17, 1951

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The Walter Winchell Broadcast for Sunday evening, June 17, 1951, was monitored by Special Agent Smith Blair and the following items of interest were noted:

WINCHELL:

"Boston Record. Professor Harlow Shapley plans going to Russia in July. Can Harvard tell us why? The State Department may not issue the Professor a passport."

COMMENT:

Professor Shapley booked passage May 18, 1951, on the Pan-American World Airways to fly from Boston July 28, 1951, for Leningrad. His plans call for attending the annual meeting of the International Astronomical Union (IAU), Leningrad, August 1-8, 1951. He is scheduled to return to Boston on August 16, 1951, on Flight 103. The State Department is being advised of Shapley's proposed trip.

Shapley, one of the founders of the IAU, has rarely missed attending the international meeting of this group. In November, 1950, he canceled plans to attend this meeting due to possible embarrassment which he felt would result from the fact that certain Soviet scientists whom he had entertained in the United States had sent a telegram dated August 23, 1950, addressed to Izvestia which attacked the United States, and particularly its Far Eastern foreign policy.

WINCHELL:

"Special. The Senate Sub-Committee on Internal Security will shortly make this public regarding Communists in radio and TV. Over 400 stars, writers, producers, directors and others will be named for their link to Red front outfits. Good names down to small fry. Senator Willis Smith of North Carolina and Senator McCarran of Nevada will confirm this at the end of this month. Besides all the TV and radio people, the Voice of America, too."

COMMENT:

The McCarran Committee has been holding Executive hearings in New York City since June 5, 1951, concerning Communist infiltration in radio and television fields. We have received the testimony of the witnesses heard to date. Their principal witness so far has been

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WINCHELL:

"Attention, editors of the Chicago American. The proposed speakers at the Communist rally in Chicago July 29 are the following so-called Americans; Paul Robeson; Gale Sondergaard, the movie actress and wife of Herbert S. Sibirman of the Hollywood ten; Dr. W. E. B. DuBois, who headed the Peace Information Center in New York City; and Professor Philip Morrison of Cornell University. He is one of our top atomic scientists."

COMMENT:

The Communist-inspired American Peace Crusade has arranged a mass peace conference which will be held in Chicago June 29-July 6, 1951, rather than on July 29 as Winchell stated. We are aware of all the details concerning this conference and full coverage will be afforded the rally itself.

WINCHELL:

"The Washington Post. The story of the 2 missing British diplomats with top atomic secrets will positively involve Dr. Klaus Fuchs, now behind bars. This is the big atomic spy sensation I tipped two weeks ago."

COMMENT:

Burgess and MacLean are not known to have fled with "top atomic secrets." During 1946-48, Donald MacLean, while attached to the British Embassy in the United States, was on the combined Policy Committee of the United States, Canada, and Great Britain, which considered political questions arising in connection with atomic energy. The only known connection of Dr. Klaus Fuchs with this case is that in 1947, Dr. Fuchs and MacLean attended the Declassification Conference which was held in the United States.

WINCHELL:

"New York Mirror. Last Sunday night, however, I said the top Communist leaders over here would be picked up by the FBI and sent to jail. At any moment, I said. The rest of them will be any day."

COMMENT:

Twenty-one of the top Communist Party leaders in the New York area will be apprehended this week, probably on June 20, 1951, at which time the Federal Grand Jury in New York City is expected to return secret indictments.

ACTION:

None. The above is for your information.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Nease

DATE: July 5, 1951

FROM : Lawrence R. McCoy *(LMC/88)*

SUBJECT: Calls for the Director Received
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and 9:00 A. M. July 5, 1951.

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Mr. Walter	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Director	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Mr. Nease	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Miss Gandy	<input type="checkbox"/>

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0 A long distance call was received from Mr. Winchell in New York, who desired to speak with the Director. The call was referred to Mr. L. B. Nichols. •

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* It is understood that Mr. Nichols talked with the Director re this call.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Belmont *LB*

FROM : V. P. Keay *VPK*

SUBJECT: WALTER WINCHELL BROADCAST
June 24, 1951

DATE: June 25, 1951

The Walter Winchell Broadcast for Sunday evening, June 24, 1951, was monitored by Special Agent Smith Blair and the following items of interest were noted:

WINCHELL:

"Mineola, New York. The two missing Air Force fugitives are still at large. They are riding in a stolen U. S. Air Force ambulance--a blue Cadillac--license plates G139, G139."

COMMENT:

The New York Office is handling this case. It involves two service men, believed to be mental cases, who escaped from Mitchell Field, New York, in a U. S. Air Force ambulance. One of the fugitives, [redacted] is reported to have been apprehended on the night of June 24, 1951, by the Pelham Manor Police Department. The other fugitive, (FNU) [redacted] is still at large with the Ambulance.

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WINCHELL:

"Washington. The FBI will next strike against the Communists in Pittsburgh, Chicago, and California."

COMMENT:

The Department has indicated that they will next start prosecutive action in California. The Department has not advised us of any immediate prosecutive action planned for Pittsburgh and Chicago.

WINCHELL:

"Washington. The Mexican and Canadian borders from coast to coast are closely guarded tonight to prevent the four top Red fugitives from escaping back to Russia."

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WINCHELL:

"Washington. Senator Wiley's reason for holding up Police Commissioner Murphy's appointment to the Federal Bench is one anonymous letter linking the Police Commissioner with a gang chief. Both (phonetic) accused men's last initials are C.C. (could be C.B.)"

COMMENT:

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None. No current request has been received from the Department to investigate Murphy. On the evening of December 11, 1946, [redacted] in the [redacted] Case entertained [redacted]

WINCHELL:

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"New York City. The State Supreme Court will announce its decision tomorrow morning in the case of the IWO - the International Workers Order. It will be declared a Communist front. Their state charter will be revoked."

COMMENT:

The New York Office advised on June 21, 1951, that Judge Greenberg, Presiding Justice in the New York State Liquidation Proceedings against the IWO, would announce to the press on June 22, 1951, that he would render his decision in the case on June 25, 1951. The IWO has been designated as Communist by the Attorney General under Executive Order 9835.

ACTION:

None. The above is for your information.

2 Mental Cases Caught After Flight in Car

CHARLTON, Mass., June 24 (AP)—The second of two Korean war veterans who escaped from Mitchell Air Force Base on Long Island by a stolen Air Force ambulance was captured by State police here tonight without a struggle.

One of the veterans, a 19-year-old shackled service man who said he was from Richmond, Va., stopped the Cadillac ambulance, got out and surrendered to police at Pelham Manor, N. Y. But he had released the other man from a strait jacket, and the freed man then sped off in the ambulance toward Boston.

The men had been taken to Mitchell Air Force Base from Westover Air Force Base, Mass., in a Military Air Transport Service C-47. They were to be taken to the psychopathic ward at St. Albans Naval Hospital on Long Island.

While the ambulance driver and an aide were unloading baggage, the manacled veteran got into the front seat of the vehicle and drove off with the other man.

Air police, seeing the ambulance speeding toward the field exit, assumed it was on an emergency mission and let it go through without halting it.

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TO : MR. D. M. LADD

FROM : A. H. BELMONT

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DATE: July 9, 1951

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The Walter Winchell Broadcast for Sunday, July 8, 1951 was heard by Special Agent Dick H. Young and the following items of interest to the Bureau were noted:

WINCHELL:

"Attention police everywhere in the forty-eight. Robert G. Thompson, one of the four escaped Red leaders, is believed to be heavily armed and hopes to get revenge before he is caught."

COMMENT:

The Bureau has no information indicating that this is true. Thompson is a veteran of World War II and was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross for "heroism in action." He, therefore, is familiar with firearms and their use; however, we have no information to indicate that he or any of the fugitive Communists are armed and dangerous.

WINCHELL:

"Los Alamos, New Mexico - A forest fire, still burning inside the Atomic Energy project is now under control. Seventy five acres destroyed."

COMMENT:

The Atomic Energy Commission nor the Albuquerque Office has advised the Bureau of this fire and therefore it must not have been of an incendiary nature, or considered as serious.

WINCHELL:

"Pleasantville, New York - Mystery writer Dashiell Hammett, long suspected, must appear in New York Federal Court tomorrow morning. He is one of Frederick Vanderbilt Fields' co-trustees on that Red bail."

COMMENT:

True. Presumably Hammett will be asked the names of the persons who furnished the bail, which question was asked Field last week.

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